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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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Office Action Summary

Application No.
08/100,019

Applicant:
Trick

Examiner
Nicholas J. Tuccillo

Group Art Unit
2101



☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on Oct 23, 1995

☒ This action is **FINAL**.

Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, **prosecution as to the merits is closed** in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Disposition of Claims

☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.

Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.

Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

Claims _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.

The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.

The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.

The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

All ☐ Some* ☐ None ☐ of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been received.

received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____.

received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____

Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Attachment(s)

Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

Interview Summary, PTO-413

Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

--- SEE OFFICE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES ---

Applicant's arguments filed October 23, 1995 have been fully considered but they are not deemed to be persuasive. Applicant has no drawings in the case. Applicant has been informed that such drawings are **required** and must show every feature which is claimed. Further examination of the present case cannot proceed without Applicant's submission of the required drawings.

The subject matter of this application admits of illustration by a drawing to facilitate understanding of the invention. Applicant is required to furnish a drawing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.81.

The drawings are objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the claimed subject matter must be shown or the feature cancelled from the claim. No new matter should be entered.

With respect to Applicant comments concerning the admission of required drawings, Applicant is advised that proposed drawings must be submitted for consideration by the Examiner **before** a notice of allowability is issued.

Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. With respect to claims 1-8, Applicant is advised that the claims as now written simply recite a photographic film having defined non-statutory subject matter, i.e. printed subject matter.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. § 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Subject matter developed by another person, which qualifies as prior art only under subsection (f) or (g) of section 102 of this title, shall not preclude patentability under this section where the subject matter and the claimed invention were, at the time the invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person.

Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Spector('832), Spector('224) and Kirkendall. With respect to claims 1-8, Spector('832), Spector('224) and Kirkendall each disclose all aspects of said claims with the exception of specifically stating that such a pre-exposed border could be utilized in an instant type film unit. Spector('832), however, does disclose that the film used could be of the instant type (see column 3, lines 1-5). Given that Spector('832), Spector('224), and Kirkendall each disclose devices of a similar form and function, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to utilize common knowledge in the art as evidenced by Spector('832), in conjunction with Spector's('832), Spector's('224) and Kirkendall's teaching of such borders in non-instant type film cartridges, for the purposes of obtaining an artistic film frame design in an instant film type camera, the type of which is common in the art.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.


The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure and is supplied for Applicant's information.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nicholas J. Tuccillo whose telephone number is (703) 308-1691.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1782.

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January 21, 1996



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GROUP 2100

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